

## 2.9 Military Working Dog Facility

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USAG-AK has proposed to construct a military working dog facility at Fort Wainwright, on the main post. The facility will provide adequate housing for the military working dogs as well as support spaces for the Military Working Dog Program. This building will include dog runs, food preparation areas, offices, storage, a multi-purpose/mission briefing room, classroom and emergency medical exam and treatment room. The purpose of this new facility is to provide adequate space for indoor kenneling and a training area for use during the harsh arctic winters at Fort Wainwright (Figure 13). The current facility does not provide the required space to effectively run the program. The project is located on map quadrangle FAI D2, T. 1 S., R. 1 W, Section 12.

### ***Survey and Field Methods***

In April 2005 the Post Archaeologist made a brief site visit to the proposed project area for the working dog facility (Figure 13). Additionally, a literature review was undertaken regarding the Fort Wainwright cantonment area and the possibility for cultural resources to be located within the project area. The site visit, in combination with a literature review and study of aerial photographs all indicate that the proposed project area has been heavily disturbed by military activities. No cultural resources were identified during the site visit or literature review.

### ***Cultural Resources***

There are no known cultural resources located within the area of potential effect for this project.

### ***Results***

A site visit and literature review of the proposed project area did not identify any cultural resources within the area of potential effect. All other previously recorded archaeological sites or historic properties in the cantonment fall outside of the proposed project area. USAG-AK determined that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed project.



Figure 13. Location of proposed military working dog facility